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1. In the Puchov (P 50/0 61) District of Slovakia there are about 40 villages with 16,000 hectares of arable land, 90 percent of which is still privately owned. There are collective farms with not more than 1,300 hectares in seven or eight villages including Belusa (P 50/0 60), Dolina, Lednice (P 50/0 60), Horka-Horenice (P 50/0 60), Veska and Puchov. There are two government farms in the same district, one at Lednicke Rovne (P 50/0 60), with 300 to 400 hectares of land, and the other at Lisa, with 60 hectares. Much good land which was formerly privately owned cannot be included in the government farms because of shortage of help. The land becomes the responsibility of the local councils (sic), which periodically send out industrial workers and clerks to help.
2. In the Puchov District there are four machine and tractor stations. The main office is at Puchov village, and this has three branches, with four or five tractors each, at Lisa, Belusa and Breznice (P 50/0 60). Collective farms as well as private farmers may rent a tractor at 20 to 40 Kcs. per hour.
3. Farms of 10 hectares and more have been nationalized. On a farm of eight hectares the government production quota for 1952 was 10 tons of potatoes, 4 tons of mixed grain, 1,300 kg. of meat, 4,000 liters of milk, and 1,500 eggs. Farmers who fail to deliver their quotas are heavily fined and are imprisoned and their property seized.

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